Joint Committee on Judiciary Legislative Office Building 300 Capitol Avenue Hartford, CT 06106

RE: OPPOSITION to HB 6355 AN ACT CONCERNING RISK PROTECTION ORDERS OR WARRANTS

RE: SUPPORT RB 6491 AN ACT CONCERNING NONLETHAL ELECTRONIC DEFENSE WEAPONS

Dear Committee,

I strongly urge you to oppose the Committee Bill. 6355.

While I think the bill's intentions are good, I feel that ultimately it could do more harm that good. Currently, the risk warrant is available to anyone at any time with police arriving immediately. It makes no sense for someone to wait till the courthouse opens to file for an "extreme risk" warrant, if someone is so concerned that someone is at "extreme risk" they should act immediately, not the next business day. Do not pass feel-good legislation that has no evidence to support it. Oppose Committee Bill 6355.

I strongly urge you to support Committee Bill 6491 An Act Concerning Nonlethal Electronic Defense Weapons.

The right of self-defense applies to all devices and weapons in common use. There is no reason why "stun guns" should be illegal. Many people in "risk" situations have no other means to viably defend themselves and I feel this non-lethal alternative should be made available to them without penalty.

Best regards, Mark Kosobiecki Milford, CT